

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 475 without my signature.

This bill requires the District Agricultural Association 1-A (Cow Palace) to obtain approval from the County of San Mateo and the City and County of San Francisco prior to entering into a contract for a gun show on state property.

I encourage all District Agricultural Associations to work with their local communities when determining their operations and events. This bill, however, totally pre-empts the Board of Directors of the Cow Palace from exercising its contracting authority whenever a gun show is involved. I prefer to leave these decisions to the sound discretion of the Board.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.